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For: INFORMATION RECORD MEDIUM	)	
AND APPARATUS FOR RECORDING	)	
THE SAME	)	

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Sir:

**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

Prior to the examination of the above-identified application on the merits, please amend  
the application as follows:

**IN THE CLAIMS:**

Kindly cancel claims 1-4 without prejudice or disclaimer.

Kindly add new claims 5-19 as follows:

5. (New) An information record medium comprising: a first recording layer on  
which a data group is recorded; and a second recording layer on which a data group is recorded,  
wherein